

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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STATE SPECIFIC PLAN FOR AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken State Specific Plans to revamp the production of wheat, rice and pulses as reported in The Hindu dated 30th May, 2007; and

(b) if so, its feasibility details in terms of irrigation, water transferring and other strategies?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The Government has contemplated a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Food Security Mission (NFSM) to enhance the production of rice, wheat and pulses by 10, 8 and 2 million tones, respectively by the end of XI Plan. The Mission will have three components i.e. NFSM – Rice, NFSM – Wheat and NFSM – Pulses. NFSM – Rice will be implemented in 12 States viz., Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal. NFSM – Wheat will be implemented in 9 States viz., Bihar, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra and Gujarat.

NFSM – Pulses will be implemented in 14 States viz., Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab, Orissa, West Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

(b): The basic strategies include promotion and extension of improved technologies alongwith capacity building of farmers with effective monitoring and better management. The Scheme will be implemented in Mission Mode through active engagement of all stakeholders.